

House File 311 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 8)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act eliminating a requirement that an identification number
2 be part of an application to obtain an authorization to
3 operate a commercial establishment involved in the care of
4 certain nonagricultural animals.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 162.2A, subsection 3, paragraph d, Code
2 2019, is amended by striking the paragraph.

3 EXPLANATION

4 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
5 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

6 BILL'S PROVISION. This bill amends a provision in Code
7 chapter 162 which regulates the sale, purchase, housing,
8 care, handling, treatment, and transportation of certain
9 nonagricultural animals in commercial establishments by the
10 department of agriculture and land stewardship (Code section
11 162.1). The bill eliminates a requirement that an application
12 form for the issuance or renewal of an authorization to
13 operate a commercial establishment include the applicant's
14 identification number, which may be a tax identification number
15 (Code section 162.2A).

16 BACKGROUND. A commercial establishment includes an animal
17 shelter, pound, or research facility operated by a person
18 issued a certificate of registration (Code sections 162.3,
19 162.4, and 162.4A); a pet shop, boarding kennel, or commercial
20 kennel operated by a person issued a state license (Code
21 sections 162.5, 162.5A, and 162.6); or a dealer, commercial
22 breeder, or public auction operated by a person who is either
23 issued a state license or a permit. A permit is issued if the
24 person is licensed under the federal Animal Welfare Act (7
25 U.S.C. ch. 54) by the United States department of agriculture
26 (Code sections 162.7, 162.8, and 162.9A).